AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing Of Claims:

- 1-11. (Canceled)
- 12. (New) A method for controlling a braking system of a motor vehicle, comprising:
 in order to prevent the vehicle from rolling away following a braked standstill, setting a
 first braking-force value independently of a driver at at least one wheel of the vehicle and holding
 the first braking-force value for a specified limited first holding time; and

ascertaining a gradient angle of a roadway in a longitudinal direction of the vehicle, wherein:

the first holding time is a function of the gradient angle.

- 13. (New) The method as recited in Claim 12, further comprising: if an intention of the driver to drive off is registered during the first holding time: cutting short the first holding time, and from the point of cutting short the holding time, maintaining a second braking-force value independently of the driver for a specified extended second holding time.
- 14. (New) The method as recited in Claim 13, wherein the extended second holding time is a function of the gradient angle.
- 15. (New) The method as recited in Claim 14, wherein the extended second holding time is a function of the gradient angle in such a way that the extended second holding time assumes a maximum value when the gradient angle exceeds a specified positive limiting value.
- 16. (New) The method as recited in Claim 13, further comprising: registering an intention of the driver to drive off through an operation of an accelerator pedal.
- 17. (New) The method as recited in Claim 12, wherein the first holding time is a continuous function of the gradient angle.

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- 18. (New) The method as recited in Claim 14, wherein the extended second holding time is a continuous function of the gradient angle.
- 19. (New) The method as recited in Claim 12, wherein:

if the gradient angle has a negative sign in the case of a downhill standing-start operation and a positive sign if the gradient angle has a positive sign in the case of an uphill standing-start operation, the first holding time one of remains constant and increases with an increase of the gradient angle.

20. (New) The method as recited in Claim 14, wherein:

if the gradient angle has a negative sign in the case of a downhill standing-start operation and a positive sign if the gradient angle has a positive sign in the case of an uphill standing-start operation, the extended second holding time one of remains constant and increases with an increase of the gradient angle.

- 21. (New) The method as recited in Claim 13, wherein the first braking-force value is equal to the second braking-force value.
- 22. (New) A device for controlling a braking system of a motor vehicle, comprising:

a roll-away prevention arrangement for, in order to prevent the vehicle from rolling away following a braked standstill, setting a first braking-force value independently of a driver at at least one wheel of the vehicle and holding the first braking-force value for a specified limited first holding time; and

an arrangement for ascertaining a gradient angle of a roadway in a longitudinal direction of the vehicle, wherein:

the first holding time is a function of the gradient angle.